Ojoceratops

Ojoceratops (meaning "Ojo Alamo horned face") is a genus of ceratopsian dinosaur which lived in what is now New Mexico, United States. *Ojoceratops* fossils have been recovered from strata of the Ojo Alamo Formation (Naashoibito Member), dating to the late Cretaceous period (probably Maastrichtian age, 68 million years ago[1]). The type species is *Ojoceratops fowleri*. It is very similar to its close relative *Triceratops*, though it is from an earlier time period and has a more squared-off frill.[2] Nick Longrich, in 2011, noted that the squared-off frill is also found in some true *Triceratops* specimens and that *Ojoceratops* is probably a junior synonym of *Triceratops*,[3] while Holtz (2010) noted that it is probably ancestral to *Triceratops* and possibly synonymous with the contemporary *Eotriceratops*.[4]

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Temporal range: Late Cretaceous, 68 Ma

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Restoration

Scientific classification

Kingdom:	Animalia
Phylum:	Chordata
Clade:	Dinosauria
Order:	†Ornithischia
Family:	†Ceratopsidae
Subfamily:	†Chasmosaurinae
Tribe:	†Triceratopsini
Genus:	†*Ojoceratops* Sullivan & Lucas, 2010

Type species

†***Ojoceratops fowleri***
Sullivan & Lucas, 2010

See also

- Timeline of ceratopsian research

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